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Judge Rummy's Court







'EM OVER LOOKING

DOUGHER LOUIS

Fans Are Forgetful.

Baseball fans are a forgetful let.

We recall well when John L Taylor

decided to get rid of Uncle Cy Young.

One morning the dear old town dis-

skies, curses sounded in the highways

and the byways. Boycott clubs were

formed everywhere. Solemn oaths

were taken that "never again" would

the fans patronize John I. Taylor's

How long did this madness con

tinue? For a few weeks. Once the

Red Sox showed themselves able to

win games without Young, the fans

rallied to tnem, and the trade was

forgotten in the greater glory of

victory. Washington fans are of the

ery where, even as you and I. All

they want is a winning ball club, and

come to terms with Miller Huggins,

soon come East to sign the new con-

that he will get his \$20,000 for slam

ming the ball up into the right field

stand at the Polo Grounds next sea

asked for his opinion about the sale

of Ruth to the Yankees. The Yankee

Colonels, Ruppert and Huston, have

had Ban stepping pretty lively of

ROPER PICKS THREE.

Bill Roper, Princeton's footbal

coach, picks Ted Coy, of Yale; Eddie

o' West Virginia, as the best trio of

gridiron backs in the history of

ROSEDALE WINS GAME.

Rosedale basketball players de

feated the Epiphany team in the

Epiphany gymnasium yesterday by

ST. ALBANS TO PLAY.

THAT'S "IMMORAL" NOW.

Al Tearney, president of the Three

League, has gone to Cuba on busi

VALGER TOO CLEVER.

twelve-round bout here last night

French lightweight of New

BOSTON, Jan. 7 .- Benny Valger, the

breath is a bit short,

their hearts pit-a-pat.

same stripe. Fans are the same sv

covered that Young had been trade

As when you throw a stone into a pond, the ripples run off toward the shore for some time after their cause has sunk to the bottom, so Frank Baker Offered has the "Babe" Ruth sale by Harry Frazee to the New York Yankees started ripples. Now it is claimed by New York sports writers that Colonel Ruppert has offered President Griffith Ernie Shore, the long, lean pitcher, and Sam Vick, the outfielder, for Bobby Roth. Also, with Scott Perry tiring of sewing buttons at Franklin, Pa., and talking coming back to the American League, the Yankees are said to be after him. All ripples in the baseball pond.

And here's the biggest ripple of them all, appearing in today's New York American:-"It was rumored along Broadway last night that the Yankees are going to secure Walter Johnson, the American League's greatest pitcher, in a trade with Washington that will give the Senators two infielders, two pitchers and a check for about \$30,000. No, we did not ask President Grif- 1

ball park.

ith about this ripple. From experi- among the contenders, and no one ence we know that magnates fre- star can do so, either, no matter who he may be or what his ability. uently deny movements already under way, but not yet completed. We prefer to consider just such a move at this time. While our ideas prove a bit shocking here and there among Washington fans, we believe that President Griffith might do worse than swap Walter Johnson for two infielders, two pitchers and a big

Walter Johnson stands today the greatest pitcher in baseball, bar none. The Cicottes, the Alexanders, the Ellers are but followers in the path of the Kansas Shrapnel. And yet, with all his greatness, Walter cannot assure Washington fans of possessing a winning ball club in 1920.

A Question of Team Work.

Winning a major league pennant is not a question of stars, but rather of teamwork. If stars alone could win pennants, certain pennant-winners in the history of the game would have finished last, or at least in the second division. They lacked stars, but they had what was more important, teamwork.

Babe Ruth was the admitted star of the 1919 season in the American for it, we did not wish to make the eague, yet the Boston Red Sox finshed sixth. Babe led all the regular outfielders in the field, hit for .322 and established a new home-run record with a total of twenty-nine-but the Boston Red Sox finished in the second division.

As between Walter Johnson and certain deeds to be performed by him Bobby Roth, the latter seems the more valuable from a playing standpoint cannot replace Roth in the Washington garden. He lacks the base-running ability, the hitting and the throwing. The Yankees have no exany real player to swap for Roth, unless it be from the pitching corps.

Long On Pitchers.

Miller Huggins is rather long on itchers. Indeed, he has too many to keep hanging around. If the little New York manager could obtain Walter Johnson to go along with Herb Thormahlen, Bob Shawkey, and Carl Mays, he could well afford to let the Washington club have Ernie Shore and George Mogridge, not to mention an extra infielder or two and a fat

Babe Ruth was quite as great a Boston fans as Walter Johnson has been to Washington rooters yet Harry Frazee has parted with the slugger right when Babe stands at the peak of his popularity. And it's dollars to holes in doughnuts that, with the Red Sox going good next rummer, the Boston rooters will forget all about Babe Ruth.

Walter Johnson has been in Wash ington since 1907. Only two or three ball club. This wasn't his fault. He worked as hard for a weak team as for a strong one, perhaps harder, for Walter is not a shirker nor a quitter But the stubborn fact remains that for all his wonderful pitching skill, was not able to keep his team

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to Griffs

Frank Baker, the slugging third baseman of the Yankees, is said to be one of the two infielders offered to the Washington club in the proposed trade for Walter Johnson. Tentative queries have been made to certain Washington fans as to their opinions about Baker as a possible third baseman at Georgia

Last year Baker hit for .293 in 141 games, getting 22 doubles, one triple, and ten home runs. Vitt and Weaver, having a mark of .955 in 141 games . He has now "retired" to his La Trappe,

WHEATLEY OUT IN FRONT FOR DISTRICT HONORS

Cue Artist Defeats Henshaw and Assumes Lead In Race For Championship.

George Wheatley is out in front today in the race for pocket billiard title honors in the District championship tournament now in progress at the Grand Central Palace

away go their hats into the air and Wheatley defeated "Marine" Hen-So we didn't ask Clark Griffith to shaw last night by 100 to 87, chalkday anything about this Walter John ing up his second win of the series son rumor. If there is any ground Wheatley's high run was 13, while new boss lie about it. If there isn't, Here's how the contenders stand.

it will pass anyway in a few days,	Here's how the contenders	stand.
hurting nobody.	w.	L H.F
	Wheatley 2	0 1
Ruth Will Get Bonus.	Bartelmes 1	0 1
As to Babe Ruth, the Yankees are	Kelchner 1	0 1
said to have offered him a bonus for		0 1
certain deeds to be performed by him	Freeland 0	1 2
certain deeds to be performed by him	Wallace 0	1 1
certain deeds to be performed by him next summer. Babe is said to have	Peaco 0	1 1
come to terms with Miller Huggins.	Honehaw	2 1

Tonight at 8 o'clock Walter Walwho is now in California, and will lace and William Peaco will play the tournament.

BERNIE EMMERT AHEAD IN FREE-FOR-ALL RACE "I have nothing to say," was all Ban Johnson had to murmur when

Bernie Emmert displayed all his speed at the Central Coliseum last night in winning the free-for-all race from four competitors in 3:29:4 over a mile route. Emmert was pushed all

In a special match race at a mile Morrow got in ahead of Throckmorton in 3:37:3. In another mile match Mahan, of Harvard, and Ira Rougers, race Cannello defeated Allen in

> The match races provided plenty of excitement and give promise of developing a number of star skaters on the little wheels.

COMMY GOES SOUTH.

CHICAGO, Jan. 7 .- Charles A. Comiskey, of the White Sox, has pulled his freight for Florida. He departed for the land of alligators and St. Albans School will get a start accompanied by Mrs. Comiskey. They today in the Eastern High gymnasium will remain in the South for several against the Capitol Hill lads.

AWARDED DECISION.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Jan. 7 .- Matt He may establish a thirst-her there.

Brock, Cleveland, was given the news-paper decision over Frankle Brown, New York, in their ten-round battle here last night. Brock was given the better of six rounds.

PERKINS IN LINE.

easily defeated Dick (Toung)
Michaels, of Syracuse, in a one-sided "Cy" Perkins, the A's nifty backstop, twelve-round bout here last night, bas signed his 1920 contract.

IN WONDERFUL PLAY-OFF

By FREDERICK G. LIEB. Crucial games are the meat of probaseball. But throughout the entire history of American's national game there is no individual contest which stands out so conspicuously as the famous play-off game between the Chicago Cubs and New York Giants on the Polo Grounds, New York, on October 8, 1908. Taking into consideration the fact that a league championship hinged on the game, the tenseness of play and the sensational development which led up to the game and followed in its wake, this play-off game must be given rank among all league contests for all-around importance. Truly none can deny that it was the

forty-four years history of this famous organization. The game, which Cubs by a score of 4 to 2. was a sequel to another never-to-be-forgotten contest, the famous "Merkle game" of September 23, when the young substitute first baseman of the Giants won undying fame by his failure to touch second base on a ninth inning hit by Al Bridwell which drove in Moose McCormick with what at the time was believed to have been New

most vital struggle ever waged by a

York's winning run. The famous little Trojan, Johnny Evers, called to Artie Hofman, th Cub center fielder, for the ball. tagged second base, forcing Merkle sult of a pinch single, for the hird out, thus nullifying McCormick's run The crowd, believing the Giants had won, ran out on the field and prevent ed further play. Despite the that Umpire O'Day called Merkle out. the Giants claimed the game by

Ruled Game 1-to-1 Tie.

Had New York been credited with this victory, the Giants would have von the championship at the end of the regular season, but Harry Pulliam president of the National League, upheld Hank O'Day, and ruled that the game was a 1-1 tie. Pulliam, in turn, was upheld by the league's board of

It was decided to let the game of September 23 stand in the records as a tie, and to have it played over on the day following the close of the regular schedule. There was intensive biterness on both sides, and the

and Chicago. Pittsburgh also was a red-hot conender in that 1908 race, which never has had an equal in professional base The Pirates had a chance to win the penhant on the last day of their season, but in another remarkable game played in Chicago on Sunday, October 4, they were defeated by Cubs by a score of 5 to 2.

would have made them champions. and there would have been no need of the play-off between New York and Chicago. This contest, the Pirates' most important game, will be treated later in this series. Had Three More Games

Had Pittsburgh won this game it

That game completed the regular schedule of the Chicago and Pittsburg clubs, but the Giants still had hree more games scheduled, with the sixth place Boston club. New York needed all three to tie Chicago. The National League then was confronted

with one of the weirdest possibilities ever known to baseball. Were the Giants to lose one game out of three to Boston, and then defeat Chicago, in the play-off, a three cornered tie for first place have existed between New York, Chiago and Pittsburgh.

Fortunately this possibility was averted, when the Giants cleaned up he Braves three straight. It put the Pirates absolutely out of the run ning, and left it up to the Giants and Cubs to struggle for the mastery. The crowd was the greatest that ver had seen a ball game at that time, numbering around 20,000, though the estimate of that time had the

The police closed the gates around 1 clock, and there were as many people outside of the grounds as within. Once the police shut the gates, neither leadings nor bribes let anyone within those sacred portals.

Quite a few New York sporting

When Cubs Won Banner in Play-off

Played at New York City, October 8, 1908. CHICAGO NATIONALS.

Frank Schulte, rf. Chicago National League team in the

Totals 32 4 8 27 12

Fred Tenney, 1b. .. 2 1 1 9 R. Bresnahan, c ... Arthur Devlin, 3b. McCormick, If .. Bridwell, ss.... h. Mathewson, p.. Larry Doyle George Wiltse, p... 0 0 0 0 0

Totals 30 2 5 27 9 *Batted for Mathewson in seventh

Chicago 004 000 000-

New York 100 000 100-2 Two-base hits-Donlin, Schulte, hance and Evers. Three-base hits -Tinker. Hits-Off Pfiester, 1 in wo-thirds of an inning; off Brown in 8 1-3 innings; off Mathewson, 7 n 7 innings; off Wiltse, 1 in 2 in nings. Sacrifice hits-Tenney and Double plays-Kling and hance, and McCormick and Bresnahan. Left on bases-Chicago, 3: New York, 6; First on balls-Off Pfiester, 2; off Brown, 1; off Mathewson, First on errors-Chicago, 1. Hit bp pitcher-By Pfeister, J. Struck out -By Mathewson, 7; by Wiltse, 2; by Pfeister, 1: by Brown, 1. Time of game-1 hour and 40 minutes. Umpires Messrs. Johnstone and Klem. Attendance-35,000.

writers were unable to see the game. because unable to get through the police lines. One prominent New York sporting editor never has forgiven the police for refusing to let him see this famous contest.

There was real rivalry between the Cubs and Giants in those days. It looked as though it might develop into an all-around battle royal be fore the fray started when Frank Chance, the Chicago manager, and Joe McGinnity, the New York pitcher, got into an argument at the plate just before the Cubs took fielding practice. There was quite a bit of shoving each other around, but no casu-

McGraw had no doubt as to who would be his pitcher that day. The great Mathewson had been rested all brough that Boston series so that he would be primed for the big battle with Chicago. .Chance was undecided until the last minutes whether to pitch Jack Pfeister, his clever lefthander, or Mordecai Brown, the threefingered marvel.

Pflester Great Southpaw

Pflester was a splendid lefthander but not a pitcher to be ranked with such star lefthanders as Ed Plank or Nap Rucker. But he always was remarkably effective againt York, and his nickname was "Jack, the Giant Killer.' Brown had pitched the previous

Sunday in the crucial game with Pittsburgh, and perhaps Chance figured the odds were against a pitcher putting two clubs out of the race in Though Brown was admittedly

far superior pitcher to Pflester, and despite the criticism of some of the Cub players, Chance pinned his faith on the lefthander. But the proverbal good luck of the Cubs of those days did not desert Chance. Though events proved that the Peerless Leader selected the wrong pitching as a starter, the Cubs won out just the

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WHEN CUBS LANDED FLAG MORAN BOOKS C. U.

Brooklanders Need Three More **Engagements to Complete** 1920 Schedule.

Catholic Univesity needs three nore football dates to complete the schedule. Charles V. Moran, athletic director at Brookland, has arranged for six contests so far and lacks games or Thanksgiving Day.

The Brooklanders will get two en-

agements for October 2 and October probably filling them with Virginia or Maryland college elevens. The first real encounter on the Brookland schedule is that of Octo-

ber 16 with Muhlenberg, which will come here for its engagement. Lafayette College, of Easton, will be played at Easton after the Muhlenberg game on the date of Gallaudet College fol-October 23.

lows here on October 30. On the date of November 6 Maryland State College will be played, the contest probably taking place in Washington. On November 13 the Brooklanders will journey to Lexington to play the Virginia Military institute eleven.

Villanova will be played in Phila It is expected that arrangements will be completed for a Thanksgiving Day

CENTRAL WINS GAME IN **BALTIMORE FROM POLY**

Mt. Pleasant Lads Strong With Lemon In Form, and Contest Is Attractive.

In defeating Baltimore Poly in its own gymnasium in Baltimore by a score of 24 to 22 yesterday, Central High, of this city, not only gained a prominent stand for the basketball title here, but carried off all the praise possible from Baltimoreans, The Baltimore scribes were loud in ommending Dick Newby and Bob Newby, Central's guards, giving due

what his name implies, for he was a pionship intercollegiate meet. thorn in Poly's side," says the Sun brought groans from the

even baskets from the floor.

sition offered by the Newby brothers tersectional meet. n the guard positions that Poly was

The game was featured by the abnce of rough tactics, and only a half dozen fouls were called during the forty minutes of play.

LOSES TWO BATTLES. Western's two midget teams went down to defeat yesterday. The Cook School hung up a 19 to 16 victory over the Westerners in one game, while the "Y" Emeralds got in

ahead by 30 to 19. SECONDS LIST GAMES. Tech and Western second teams

have listed a basketball game for the

Y. M. C. A. gymnasium for Wednesday, January 14. EASTERN CRIPPLED.

McQuade, Myers and Briggs, castern, may be unable to play for

the Capitol Hill lads for some time on account of injuries.

The Marine Preps play the Peck

MARTINSBURG ARRIVES. Martinsburg Y. M. C. A. players will arrive here on Saturday to play the

Tech High tossers. PREPS MEET ALL-STARS.

GEORGETOWN TRACK MEN TO ATTEND MANY MEETS

Georgetown University will go after track honors this year in no uncertain way. With John B. O'Reilly in charge of the track candidates the most pretentious track schedule ever attempted by the Hilltoppers will be started January 17 at Buffalo and will be continued through the principal indoor and outdoor games up to and including the intercollegiate meet the latter part of May. The Athletic Association, having full confidence in O'Reilly's ability

to turn out a creditable team, has sanctioned the participation in all of the meets which will take in the feature engagements of the winter season in the North.

To begin with the Hilltoppers start off on January 17 at Buffalo, where relays will be run and individuals sent through the various ovents On January 21, at the Knights of Columbus games in Newark, N. J., the Hill-toppers will see in Newark, N. J., the Hilltoppers will again perform. On the date of January 24, at the Twenty-third Regiment Armory in New York, in the American Legion games.

Will Go to Brooklyn. Another meet in the Twenty-third

Regiment Armory, under the auspices of Brooklyn College, will be attended Association games in Boston. On Feb- fight to put it through he will sumruary 10. Georgetown's runners will from all corners of the State. compete against the cracks of the ountry in the famous Millrose games

The National Junior championship meet will be taken in by the Hilltoppers on the date of February 21 at in Massachusetts.

Buffalo, while on the date of Febru- Boxing, if the ary 28 the annual Johns Hopkins indoor meet will be visited by the athletic committee, a body of three Georgetown lads. In Philadelphia, named by the governor of the State. on March 6, the Meadowbrook games will be attended by Georgetown track appoint a secretary. Members of the men, who will also take a crack at the Senior A. A. U. championships to and the secretary \$1,500. be held in New York on March 13.

Will Run Outdoors. The indoor season will wind up on

of the Masons in Brooklyn, Beginning on April 10 a dual meet will be run out of doors with the Penn State track men. On April 24 the navy will be run at Annapolis, Md., in a dual plication to the secretary of State, meet, while on April 30 and May 1 Georgetown will attend the Penn relays, where Le Gendre will defend his pentathlon honors.

On the date of May 8 Johns Hopkins University will be met in a dual meet on Homewood Field. The date praise to Jimmy Lemon, who shot of May 15 will find the full strength the Georgetown track team com-"Lemon proved to be anything but peting in the South Atlantic cham-

In the event that Georgetown an-"He was aggressive at all nexes the South Atlantic intercoland his clever shooting legiate titular meet and Lafayette College gains the same honor in the sectional Middle Atlantic intercol-The first half ended with a score of legiate meet, these track teams will 13 to 7 in favor of Central, and it meet at Easton, Pa., in a dual meet was due chiefly to the stanch oppo- which will savor of a really big in-

Attends Intercollegiates.

The Hilltop track season will wind up on the last Saturday in May with the attendance at the intercollegiate meet, the annual classic. Sanction for the participation in these meets has been given by the Athletic Association at Georgetown.

O'Reilly has not been slow to see the possibilities for Georgetown glories and is already working his head off with the Blue and Gray track candidates. With such prospects for campaign-

ing, it is, expected that Georgetown's trackmen will achieve the laurels gained in other years by Duffy, Minihan, Reilly, Lynch, Holland, Seitz, Edmonston, and Mulligan.

HILLTOPPERS RETURN.

Georgetown's basketers, without game until January 14, when St. John's College, of Annapolis, is met, will start work tomorrow. Fees, Flavin, O'Connell, Zazelli, and Lonshak are expected to get right down to brass tacks with the resumption of work at

HERMAN ON TRAIL.

defeated the War Department team by 31 to 30. War got but five chances

Business is staging a game in the Medical School five today.



BOSTON, Jan 7 .- The fight to legalize boxing in Massachusetts has been started in the legislature. by some of the Hilltop runners. On bill has been filed by Attorney Medley February 7 the Georgetown trackmen T. Holdsworth, of Lynn, and in his mons the leading friends of the sport

The bill is based on the best points country in the famous Millrose games of the boxing bills in other States, in New York at Madison Square Garand is filed because the sponsor beden. lieves it will put boxing bouts and sparring exhibitions on a higher plane

Boxing, if the bill were passed, would be under control of the State The committee would have power to committee would receive \$500 a year

All boxing exhibitions, except those conducted under A. A. U. or Y. M. C. A. auspices, would be under direct control of the State, and the ones ex-March 20 at the Third division meet cepted would be bound by all provisions, except the payment of a license

> Clubs desiring licenses would be obliged to file bonds for \$10,000 on apgranting the license would rest with the committee. Any club conducting like bouts, or misrepresenting returns, would forfeit its license, with no chance of renewal, and pay a fine of

> Fighters faking would be barred for six months on first offense and barred forever on second. The would license referees, and have full control of this end of the sport. Five per cent of the gross receipts of very show would go to the State as a

> tax, and clubs not making returns within twenty-four hours after a show would be investigated, and if cause were found, lose the license. A doctor appointed by the committee would pass on all boxers, and be in attendance at all bouts.

YANKEES WILL PLAY. The Y. M. C. A. Yankee team will

lay the Bolling Field Aviators in the . M. C. A. gymnasium tonight. The yviators were beaten, 44 to 11, by the Aloysius Club, which will play the Yankees for the benefit of the Armstrong fund shortly.

WAR TEAM BEATEN. Tony Cuiffreda's foul shooting, in which he landed fifteen for Ingram,

from the floor shooting fouls. The War players got fourteen baskets from the floor to eight for the win-MEDICOS TO PLAY.

